

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants have carefully examined the Office Action of October 18, 2007, in which claims 1-12, 16-27 and 29-37 were pending, claims 3, 24 and 29-37 were withdrawn from consideration, claims 1, 2, 4-8 and 25 were rejected and claims 9-12, 16-23, 26 and 27 were allowed.

Claim Amendments

Claims 1-8 and 24-37 were cancelled.

Claim Rejections

Claims 1, 2, 4-8 and 25 were variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102. Without conceding the correctness of the rejections, applicants herein cancel these claims, rendering the rejections moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 9-12, 16, 17 and 19-23 were allowed. Applicants thank the Examiner and agree that these claims are allowable for at least the reasons given in the Office Action.

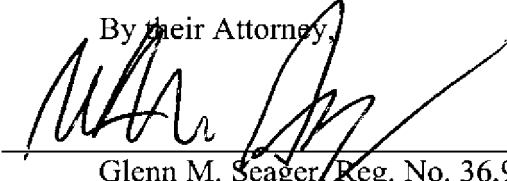
Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested. It is submitted that all pending claims are currently in condition for allowance. Issuance of a Notice of Allowance in due course is anticipated. If a telephone conference might be of assistance, please contact the undersigned attorney at 612.677.9050.

Respectfully submitted,

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